

IN THE CLAIMS

1-15 (cancel)

16. (new) A telephone set comprising a transmitter for transmitting a request to a server, said request is a message comprising an identifier of a first telephone set and an identifier of a second telephone set in telephone communication with said first telephone set; and wherein said server comprises a database for storing identifiers of telephone sets and identifiers of multimedia terminals associated with said telephone sets, and a transmitter for transmitting to a multimedia terminal associated with said first telephone set and/or said second telephone set an identifier of other multimedia terminal to establish a multimedia communication between said multimedia terminals via a logical channel distinct from a telephone communication channel between said first telephone set and said second telephone set.

17. (new) The telephone set of claim 16, wherein said logical channel is an IP channel.

18. (new) The telephone set of claim 16, wherein said message is at least one of the following: a short message service (SMS), enhanced message service (EMS) or dual tone multi-frequency (DTMF) message.

19. (new) The telephone set of claim 16, further comprising a indicator for indicating whether said multimedia communication can be initiated.

20. (new) The telephone set of claim 16, further comprising a transmitter for transmitting to a server, a recorded message containing an identifier of a telephone set and an identifier of a multimedia terminal associated with said telephone set.

21. (new) The telephone set of claim 16, further comprising a server, said server comprising a database for storing said identifiers of said telephone sets and said identifiers of said multimedia terminals associated with said telephone sets.

22. (new) A server comprising a database for storing identifiers of telephone sets and identifiers of multimedia terminals associated with said telephone sets and a transmitter for transmitting to a first multimedia terminal associated with a first telephone set an identifier of a second multimedia terminal associated with a second telephone set via a logical channel to establish a multimedia communication between said first multimedia terminal and said second multimedia terminal in response to a request from said first or second telephone set via a telephone channel, and wherein said logical channel is distinct from said telephone channel.

23. (new) The server of claim 22, wherein said logical channel is an IP channel.

24. (new) The server of claim 22, further comprising a receiver for receiving a recorded message comprising an identifier of a multimedia terminal and an identifier of an associated telephone set, and wherein said database is operable to record said identifiers.

25. (new) The server of claim 22, further comprising a receiver for receiving requests from telephone sets via at least one of the following: short message service (SMS), enhanced message service (EMS) or dual tone multi-frequency (DTMF) channels.

26. (new) A multimedia terminal comprising a device for establishing a multimedia communication with another multimedia terminal in response to a request from said server of claim 22.

27. (new) The multimedia terminal of claim 26, further comprising a transmitter for transmitting to said server a recorded message, wherein said recorded message comprises an identifier of said multimedia terminal and an identifier of an associated telephone set.

28. (new) The multimedia terminal of claim 26, further comprising a database for storing identifiers of telephone sets and identifiers of multimedia terminals associated with said telephone sets.

29. (new) A method of initiating multimedia communications between multimedia terminals associated with telephone sets via a logical channel distinct from a telephone communications channel, comprising the steps of:

 sending a request comprising identifiers of a first and a second telephone sets to a server by said first telephone set or said second telephone set;

 determining identifiers of a first and a second multimedia terminals associated with said identifiers of said first and said second telephone sets from a database by said server; and

 transmitting at least one of the following by said server: a message to said first multimedia terminal comprising said identifier of said second multimedia terminal or a message to said second multimedia terminal comprising said identifier of said first multimedia terminal.

30. (new) The method for initiating multimedia communications of claim 29, wherein the logical channel is an IP channel; and wherein said first and said second multimedia terminals establish multimedia communications over said IP channel.